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1. As of 1 Nov 53, and on instructions from the Soviet Military Mission, the complete revision of the list of persons exempted from conscription for health or other reasons has begun, and will be applied throughout Czechoslovakia.
2. All men between 21 and 49 are required to present themselves before committees of revision, where they will be divided in three groups. Category No. 1 will consist of men of 21 to 35 years, destined for supplementary services. Category No. 2 will consist of men of 35 to 42, for auxiliary service. Category No. 3 will consist of men of 42 to 49, for reserve service.
3. The percentages foreseen as acceptable will be 60 to 90 percent in the 1st category, 45 to 80 percent in the 2nd, and 30 to 60 percent in the 3rd. Military training will be given for five months to those in the 1st category, three months in the 2nd, and six weeks in the 3rd.
4. The precise date when these conscripts will join their units is to be announced later. Among them are numerous technicians, savants, intellectuals and specialists who have been working in enterprises designated as militarily important. The tendency is to impose military training on practically the entire population.
5. On the Czechoslovak general staff it is expected that the formation of women's obligatory military units will be announced in 1954 or 1955.

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